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To be sold Thursday morning next, at 10 o'clock, at No 60 Fourth street. See advertisement. T. A. McClelland, Auctioneer.

Mourning Goods.

Of all kinds, at Barker's, very cheap.

Housekeeping Goods,

Of all kinds, at Barker & Co.'s, 59 Market street

Sheetings.

3-4 and 10-4 Sheetings at Barker's, equally cheap.

Winter Dress Goods.

Winter Dress Goods, cheap, at Barker's, 59 Market street.

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Selling cheap at McClelland's Auction House, 55 Fifth street.

Gents' and Boys' Wear.

Gents' and Boys' Wear, cheap, at Barker & Co.'s' 59 Market street.

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Yard wide, undressed, long cloth Shirting, 31¼ cts. at Barker's, 59 Market street.

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Heavy brown Sheetings, yard wide, 33 cents, at Barker's, 59 Market street.

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The Great Sale of Dry Goods,

At reduced prices, at Barker & Co.'s, 59 Market street is deserving the particular attention of our readers.

Dress Goods,

Our entire stock of Spring and Summer Dress Goods selling off, regardless of cost. Barker & Co., 59 Market street.

Suspenders.

Two hundred dozen Gum Suspenders, at McClelland's Auction House, 55 Fifth street.

STORING COAL OIL.—In Philadelphia on Saturday, the Grand Jury made a presentment to the Court of Quarter Sessions, stating that it was within their knowledge that a large amount of petroleum was kept and stored within the closely inhabited portions of the city, and, in view of the recent catastrophe, asking what their duties in the premises were. Judge Ludlow informed them that while the storage of oil was not of itself, an offense, yet the improvident storing of such an inflammable article, in such a manner and in such localities as to endanger the lives and property of citizens, was a nuisance at common law and an indictable offense, of which the jury could take cognizance.

Late News Items.

The New York shipyards are all employed to the full extent of their available working resources, mainly in the construction of vessels, especially the larger class of steamships for the mercantile service. No less than nineteen first class steamships—the wheelers and propellers—of an aggregate tonnage equal to about 32,000 tons, have been recently or will be immediately launched from the local yards. Five or six of these have already been charted by the Government.

A bill has been introduced in the New York Legislature to incorporate a Pneumatic Express Railway Company in New York city, with a capital of $3,000,000. It would send packages through an underground tunnel by atmospheric pressure. A similar enterprise has succeeded in London.

The board of investigation to look into alleged swindles at the Philadelphia Arsenal has recovered two hundred thousand dollars already from various sources, and that the additional sum of three hundred thousand dollars is unexplained and is to be recovered. We are informed that from one-half to three quarters of a million will probable be recovered here, and equal or larger sums elsewhere, making an important aggregate.

A Washington letter concerning the peace conference says: The more radical Republicans condemn the President, while those of the Conservative branch of the party eulogise his action. There are many who regard the interview on board of the River Queen as the initial movement towards peace, and they will not relinquish this opinion. Meanwhile it is semi officially stated that neither Grant nor Sherman believe in an early peace, or in peace at any time, without further and more complete military triumphs.

The Wheeling *Register* reports that a number of citizens of Monongalia, Marion, Upshur, and other counties have given notice, as required by law, of their intention to make application to the present session of the Legislature for a special act granting a charter for a railroad to be called the Monongalia and Lewisburg railroad, commencing at some point on the West Virginia and Pennsylvania line in the county of Monongalia, and running thence via Morgantown, Fairmont, Clarksburgh and Buckhannon to the Baltimore and Ohio railroad near Lewisburg in the county of Greenbier.

It is proposed to flank the Illinois Ship Canal, and the Niagara Falls Ship Canal project, by ceding the Erie Canal to the United States, on receiving from the General Government the amount of the outstanding debt created by its construction; the canal is to be free forever to the use of all the States, and to be enlarged in its locks at the expense of the General Government, so as to pass six hundred ton merchant steamers, which would go from Buffalo to New York in six days, loaded, and from Chicago in six days, light, and let gunboats in time of war, securely pass from the ocean to the lakes.

Railway Matters.

The managers of the New Castle and Franklin Railroad Company have instructed their engineers to make a survey of a route up Big Run to Slippery Rock, and so on up the Valley of Wolf Creek, to the coal fields of Butler county. The *Courant* says, they are induced to do this from the fact that offers have been made by parties holding property in these sections, to subscribe the necessary stock to build the road. This movement will doubtless, result in changing the entire route chalked out for this road. From the coal fields of Butler county the road can be extended up Wolf Creek, and down South Sandy to the line of the Franklin and Jamestown road, in the vicinity of Waterloo. This is by far the cheapest route, and will be vastly more to the advantage of the oil region.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Oil Creek Railroad Company was held in Erie, on Wednesday evening last. After the annual reports were presented it was decided that additional cars and engines and every facility needful to accommodate the large and increasing business of the line should be provided as rapidly as possible. Frank Thompson, Esq., was elected General Superintendent, in place of Sam A. Black, resigned. The following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year: President—Thomas Struthers. Directors—Dean Richmond, Thomas A. Scott, Prescott Metcalf, W. S. Brown, Wm. Keep, Henry L. Lansing, Chas. H. Lee, John M. Kennedy, Jos. D. Potts, John A. Wilson, Edmund Yardly, and Wm. A. Baldwin. Secretary and Treasurer—John F. McPherson.

A meeting was held at Titusville on Wednesday to take into consideration the question of constructing a new railway from Oil Creek to the outer world. It was decided that such a road should be built, and that the direct line from Titusville to Union, on the Atlantic and Great Western Road, was the best for the purpose.

The following are the earnings for January of some of the principal Western roads; as compared with the same month in the two preceding years:—

	1863.	1864.	1865
Michigan Central	$242,073	$292,455	$306,324
Michigan Southern	248,784	260,168	358,784
Rock Island	140,624	158,735	260,535
Toledo and Wabash	86,321	79,735	144,000
Illinois Central	299,944	318,200	546,000
Total	$1,017,146	1,059,274	$1,646,643

The earnings of the Prairie du Chien Railway for 1864 were $1,723,381; expenses $1,206,950 net profits $516,431.

TheChicago and Alton Railroad will pay,25th February, a dividend of five per cent, on their preferred and on the common stock.

LANDLORD AND TENANT RIGHT.—Landlords and tenants are mutually interested in a bill now before the Legislature. Under existing laws, three months' notice to a tenant is required to be given before the end of his year, before he can be ejected from the premises. But it has happened not unfrequently that both landlord and tenant have lost the date of entry. In one case of this kind in this city, the tenant actually lived in a house for twenty years, and cannot be put out because the present owner does not know when to give him proper notice to quit. The bill alluded to proposes to remedy such cases as this by requiring either party, upon an order issued by court, to produce the lease, or if neither of them have the lease the court may adjudicate the matter in such a manner as not to do injustice, and yet, by ordering a reasonable notice, protect the rights of both landlord and tenant.

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Our Washington Correspondence.

The Draft—Gen. Fry's Figures—Efforts for Postponement—No Prospect—Senator Morgan for the Treasury, Hon. Thomas M. Howe, &c.

Special Correspondence of Pittsburgh Commercial.
WASHINGTON, February 12.

The draft will surely take place on the 15th. There is no prospect of a postponement, for the men are needed. There is, however, a tremendous pressure being brought to bear upon President Lincoln, from all quarters, to examine the new rules of arithmetic invented by that learned genius, Provost Marshal General Fry, and to postpone the draft until he has examined the principle upon which Gen. Fry predicates quotas. Whether the President will listen to this appeal, direct from the people of every State, remains to be seen. There is no doubt that the accounts, as kept by Gen. Fry are so mixed and confused that all the Clerks he has, or all he can get, will never unravel them. On this account, it is said—notwithstanding the request of the President to let the New York Committee examine their account—he refused, fearing the result. There is no doubt that he will be displaced before long—but not before the draft—unless the President postpones it—of which, as before said, there seems to be no prospect.

As the 4th of March approaches Cabinet changes are again spoken of. There seems to be a general impression that there will be a change all round, except, perhaps, Mr. Stanton. Who the new men will be remains a mystery—with the exception of Secretary of the Treasury, and for that position Governor Morgan, of New York, seems settled upon. Of course it is not likely that he and Seward, both from the same State, will remain in the Cabinet; and so it is reported that Mr. Seward will go as Minister to England or France. Hon. Thomas M. Howe, of Pittsburgh, is being urged for Secretary of Treasury, not only by a large portion of the Pennsylvania delegation, but by others from nearly every State. S. C.

A Rebel Spy in Female Attire.

He Lives with a Girl Two Weeks Without Betraying His Sex—An Extraordinary Affair and Important Arrest.

The Cleveland *Herald*, of yesterday morning contains a lengthy and somewhat romantic account of the capture of a rebel spy in that city, while sailing under false colors. It seems that, on Saturday morning, two young women, apparently about nineteen or twenty years old, called at the rooms of the Soldiers' Aid Society and applied for transportation to Washington. One of them gave the name of Charlotte Anderson, said she had enlisted two or three times in the army, but had been rejected on her sex being discovered. As they turned to leave, one of the ladies in the room became suspicious that "Charlotte" was a man, and sent up stairs to the Provost Marshal, by whose order "Charlotte" and her companion were immediately arrested. "Charlotte," on being charged with sailing under false colors, indignantly denied the imputation, and her companion, Emma, also assured the officers that "Charlotte" was a girl, for they had slept together several nights. Emma proved the honesty of her belief by urging "Charlotte" to submit to the medical examination proposed, but "Charlotte" stoutly refused, and it was only by forcible means that the examination was made, and the fact established that "she" was a "he." Emma was overwhelmed with confusion and grief on the discovery of the sex of her companion, and wept bitterly, refusing all further communication with him. "Charlotte" was locked up in the prison, and Emma was taken in charge by Commissioner Kirkpatrick.

The girl Emma, who appeared to be modest and well behaved, had been living in Cleveland as a hired help, and a few weeks ago made the acquaintance of "Charlotte." They slept together, Emma having not the slightest suspicion that her bedfellow was not a woman. Charlotte always put out the light before entirely undressing, alleging that it was too cold to do so when undressed. "She" also either got up and dressed before Emma was awake, or lay in bed after the latter left the room. "Charlotte" frequently received letters, many of them from Dayton. Some of these letters were addressed to "Charlie" Anderson, which she supposed to be a diminutive of Charlotte. It was noticeable, however, that they were always delivered at the gentleman's window of the post-office, "Charlotte" always going there for them. A few days since "Charlotte" proposed that they should go to Washington, where she could get good places for both of them, and to this Emma agreed. Owing to the failure of her company to receive some funds she expected, Emma spent all the money she had, and they were obliged to seek aid at the Soldiers' Aid Hall, as narrated. After the arrest "Charlotte" was at first sullen, but, when dressed in soldier's clothes, brightened up, and expressed a willingness to make a clean breast of it. He then made a statement to the effect that he was a member of company D, 66th Ohio Volunteers, and adopted female attire in order to get him home, which he accomplished. He alleges he was about returning to his regiment in the same costume in which he was arrested. His statement is undoubtedly false, as evidence has been collected to show that he is a rebel spy. In his possession have been found three sets of wearing apparel, one female, one military, and one the dress of a dashing "young man about town."

Charley, alias "Charlotte" Anderson, is very feminine in appearance, and has a soft and low feminine voice whenever he chooses to use it. When dressed in female attire, he has the appearance of a girl in disguise, and when dressed in tasteful female attire difficult to doubt the feminity. His accomplishments are varied. He is a dead shot with a pistol, a splendid horseman, can talk three languages fluently, can dance admirably, play the piano, do fine sewing, embroidery and crochet equal to any woman, and can spark the boys, as many of them know to their mortification. Although so feminine in appearance, he is remarkably strong for his size.

There are other facts that go to show he is a rebel spy, that it would not be proper to give at this time. The object of his getting acquainted with the girl and keeping her in ignorance of his real sex was to divert suspicion from himself until he could get to Washington. In private with Emma he has expressed a bitter hatred to the North, and a determination to shoot President Lincoln if he could get a chance at him.

The New Enrollment Law.

The Washington correspondent of the New York *Post* refers as follows to the new enrollment law, which has passed the Senate:

Mr. Wilson's bill sets out with what appears to be a wholesome and reasonable improvement upon the present law—a provision that a drafted man may secure a substitute from among the enrolled men. Upon examination it will be found to be of no practical value whatever. Another provision compels the drafted person to take the responsibilities of his substitute on the enrollment list, and may be drafted a second time within a week. In this district he has been compelled three times a year, and under this provision a man might have been compelled to put in two substitutes, and then at last go into the service himself. The new bill is narrowly drawn, and no one would think that its object was rather to prevent the procuration of substitutes than the reinforcement of our armies. Senator Wilson stated in the debate that if we could obtain a few more men there would be no need for a further draft. It is believed by intelligent persons that if the law should be so amended as to permit a drafted man to procure a substitute from among his neighbors who are enrolled, exempting the two for at least one year, good men could easily be procured. The disposition of the people, however, is to compel persons who are drafted to serve in person. When the Senate bill comes to the House Mr. Schenck, it is understood, will move to strike out the enacting clause altogether. It will fail, however, as it failed yesterday in the Senate.

The Reported Defection Among the Rebel Generals.

Our Northern exchanges contain a great deal of twaddle about this and that Confederate general coming over and taking the oath of allegiance to the United States. The last sensation rumor comes from one of the St. Louis papers, and is to the effect that Generals Chalmers and Roddy are about to come over with bag and baggage, etc. A friend who ought to know, tells us that these reports are utterly false, and that these generals are now as determined rebels as ever. These reports may have originated from the fact that they both are very humane and honest men, and exceedingly honorable and courteous in their occasional intercourse with the federal authorities.

General Reddy has always treated our prisoners with the utmost kindness and consideration, and all speak highly of him. Union men and their families have never been treated by him with cruelty, but their opinions, if not openly expressed, have been respected. About three weeks ago he had several bushwhackers and murderers executed by martial law, near Moulton, Alabama. Some straggling soldiers who robbed a poor widow woman of all she had, and then burned her house, are now under sentence of death at the same place. He seems to be trying his best to keep up law and order, and he thus can atone, in some small degree, for the inexcusable woes brought upon the country by him and other leaders and abetters of this horrible rebellion.

It is expected that the seven-thirty loan will all be taken by the 1st of April. Less than two hundred million dollars remain unsold, and the demand of several millions per day is constantly increasing.

COTTON COMING.—Twenty-three ships loaded with cotton have departed from Savannah, and are expected to arrive shortly at New York.

FIRST EDITION.

12, MIDNIGHT.

FROM WASHINGTON.

OFFICERS ORDERED TO REPORT

Indemnification for Losses in Kansas.

Receipts from Internal Revenue.

CHANGE IN PENSION LAW.

Rebel Deserters Coming Within Our Lines.

They Report Great Dissatisfaction in Lee's Army.

HIS ARMY ON HALF RATIONS.

SAVINGS INSTITUTION FOR FREEDMEN.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Commercial.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 13,

The following officers are notified that they will stand dismissed the service unless within fifteen days from this date they appear before General Caldwell's commission, in this city, and make satisfactory defence to the charge against them—absence without leave: Lieut. W. H. Hyttell, 15th Michigan Volunteers; Lieut. Col. R. Mott, 57th Ohio Volunteers; Capt. Geo McClure, 57th Ohio Volunteers; 2d Lieut. W. K. Good, 57th Ohio Volunteers; 2d Lieut. A. Gordon, 5th Ohio Volunteers.

J. F. Schroder has been recognized by the President as Russian Consul at New Orleans.

A petition, numerously signed by citizens of Illinois and Indiana, was presented in the Senate to-day, praying for the establishment of a mail route from Newport, Indiana, to Ridge Farm, Vermillion county, Illinois.

Senator Lane submitted to the Senate to-day a joint resolution of the Kansas Legislature, asking Congress to indemnify the people of that State for losses sustained on the occasion of Sterling Price's raid in October last. The resolutions were buried among the archives of the Military Committee.

The receipts from internal revenue for the eleven working days of this month, including to-day, amount to over ten million five hundred thousand dollars. The amount of fractional currency issued during the past week, was one million two hundred and sixty thousand, four hundred dollars, making the total amount now in circulation in fractional, less than ninety-one millions.

Mr. Whaley, from the Committee on Pensions, to-day reported to the House the bill making important changes in the pension laws. It provides that where a widow who has deserted her husband or leads a dissolute life, she shall be excluded from the benefits of the pension to which she is otherwise entitled, and granting such pensions to her children. It also confers the benefit of the pension act to contract surgeons disabled while in the discharge of their duties, and allows soldiers who have lost a foot and a hand twenty dollars a month.

The following Western soldiers have been declared exchanged and ordered to join their regiments for duty, company C, 100th Ohio; Hospital Steward Bernhard Sigel, 1st battalion Mississippi Marine Brigade; Miller Washington, company A, 9th Illinois cavalry; Charles Huckaby, company E, 2d East Tennessee; Jeremiah Burke, Indiana, Sutler; John S. Perry, company E, 1st Illinois artillery: H. F. Thomas, 42d Illinois; Sergt. Hiram Williams, company L, 5th Illinois cavalry: B. Griffin, company L, 7th Mich. cavalry.

Within the past three days over four hundred deserters from Lee's army have arrived here from City Point. These men are from every State now in rebellion, and strange as it may seem, the larger proportion are from South Carolina, next from North Carolina, and least from Virginia and Georgia. As fast as they come over and take the oath they are provided with full transportation North. All say that they would have deserted before but upon learning that peace negotiations were on foot they decided to wait until the result was announced, but the one prevailing opinion in Lee's army was that peace would result from the mission of Messrs. Stephen's Hunter and Blair, and that the armies would soon be disbanded. Upon learning very contrary, on return of the peace commissioners, they determined to fight no more, and accordingly seized the first opportunity to escape and reach our lines.

They state that dissatisfaction among troops in Lee's army at the failure to make peace is general, and that it will be shown in the number of desertions that will immediately follow. Lieutenants and commissioned officers are used to prevent it, which they think it is almost impossible to do.

They assert that Lee or Lee's army not only is subsisting on half rations—what would be considered half rations in our army—but that his men have suffered terribly during the late severe cold weather for want of sufficient clothing. They become more and more discouraged at the state of affairs, when they see bold Yankee troops so comfortably attired.

Senator Wilson to-day introduced a bill for the incorporation of a savings institution for Freedmen, with the following distinguished names as corporators: William Cullen Bryant, Peter Cooper, Gerritt Smith, A. A. Low, H. Barney, A. A. Lawrence, and J. W. Barton Smith. The Trustees are authorized to fix a rate of interest not exceeding seven per cent., and the profits exceeding ten per cent. are required to be divided among the depositors.

Missouri State Convention.

The President's Action in the Late Peace Conference Endorsed.

RECEIPTS OF COTTON

ST. LOUIS, February 13.

The State Convention to-day unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the action of the President in the late Peace Conference, and pledging the loyal people of Missouri to sustain the Government, in the last extremity, in prosecuting the war until peace shall be established or conquered, upon the basis of the instructions contained in the President's note to Secretary Seward.

Receipts of cotton, 600 bales. Flour is flat. Wheat quiet at $1 90 for prime. Corn dull at $1 15@1 22. Oats lower at 90c@$1 02½. Whisky, $2 18@2 20.

INDIANS IN THE NORTHWEST.

THEIR FORCE ESTIMATED AT 2,000.

OMAHA, February 12.

The telegraph is again working to Denver. The Indians, in small bands, are at different points all along the road from Fort Kearney westward. The main body has gone up the North Platte. Col. Collins, with his command, has had a series of engagements with the Indians between Julesburg and Laramie, which lasted for six days. The Indians are estimated to number 2,000, while our soldiers number about 200—not sufficient to follow and chastise the savages.

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

RUMORED APPOINTMENTS.

PHILADELPHIA, February 13.

The *Bulletin* has a special dispatch from Washington, which says: Comptroller McCulloch, it is currently reported, is appointed Secretary of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, February 13.

The President to-day nominated to the Senate the Hon. E. D. Morgan, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

Sec. Fessenden and the Seven-Thirties

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.

The *Post's* Washington special says: In his letter to the Committee on Ways and Means, Mr. Fessenden does not ask for power to issue more currency. It is probable he will rely upon the Seven-thirty notes for the debt of the fiscal year.

DEATH OF SENATOR HICKS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.

Ex-Governor Thos. H. Hicks, United States Senator from Maryland, died at seven o'clock this morning.

FROM HARRISBURG.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

Important Local Bills Introduced.

Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial.
HARRISBURG, February 13.

The Senate met at eight o'clock.

Mr. Hoge presented a remonstrance against closing the mouth of French Creek.

Mr. Lowry presented a remonstrance against the vacation of Ash Lane, Erie.

Mr. Wilson read a bill authorizing the Erie Mining Company to build lateral roads and increase their capital.

Mr. McCandless a supplementary act authorizing the Committee of Walter Graham, lunatic, to sell certain real estate.

The following bills passed: One inflicting a penalty on persons who sell adulterated or diluted milk to butter and cheese manufacturers.

One authorizing the election of six councilmen in northeast borough, Erie.

Incorporating the Titusville Gas and Water Company.

House.—Messrs. Glass, Snack, and Chadwick presented petitions to repeal the act extending the Water Works, in Allegheny.

Mr. Herron, a remonstance of the Board of School Directors of Shaler township against two School Superintendents.

Mr. Chadwick, a petition of the citizens of Collins township, praying that the supervisors be authorized to appropriate out of the road tax to building sidewalks along the highways.

Also, petitions for the increase of tolls on the East Liberty and Penn township plank road.

Mr. Glass read the following bills:

Incorporating the Western Union Mining Company.

Incorporating the Pennsylvania Oil Car Manufacturing and Transportation Company.

Conferring certain rights on the Youghiogheny Coal Company.

Authorizing the School Directors of Versailles and the Fifth Ward of Pittsburgh to levy a per capita tax.

Mr. Kelly, an act authorizing the School Directors of Cumberland and Greene counties to levy a bounty tax.

HIGHLY INTERESTING.

Low Prices of Printing Paper.

The Storage of Petroleum in New York

REBEL SITUATION AT MOBILE.

Grant Wants 100,000 Men.

He Will End the War in Three Months

EVACUATION OF CHARLESTON CONFIRMED.

From the Shenandoah Valley.

THE SITUATION OF GRANT'S ARMY.

Canal Around Niagara Falls.

Our Sick and Wounded at Savannah.

They Are Suffering for the Want of Food.

Special Dispatch to Western Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Feb. 13.

Low prices in the paper market still continue. Dealers are anxious to make sales of the stock now on hand, and offer to fill contracts for a considerable time ahead at prices ranging from 19 to 22 cents, according to quality. The discussion of the paper duty question in Congress to-day, caused some excitement among paper dealers, and increased their desire to make contracts. The indications are that paper will remain at low figures for some time, unless something is done in the interest of the dealers.

The New York daily papers and public are again in a state of excitement on petroleum in the city limits. The city authorities are taking action in the matter.

Several large operations in substitute brokers have been made by Col. Baker. Many recruiting offices have been broken up.

The *Tribune's* Washington special says: the fall of Fort Fisher, which has tended to weaken confidence in their durability, and seems to show the necessity of obtaining, if possible, some other guns which can be more implicitly relied on. The bursting of these guns is generally attributed to the premature explosion of shells within the gun.

The Committee, in view of all the facts elicited by this the Committee, recommend that Congress immediately adopt such measures as will enable the War and Navy Department to obtain and introduce into the service wrought iron guns and probably of larger calibre, as as early a day as practicable.

Constitutional Amendment Ratified by the Indiana Legislature.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 13.

The resolution endorsing the Congressional Slavery Amendment, having passed the Senate twenty-six to twenty-four, passed the House to-night fifty-seven to twenty nine. One hundred guns are being fired at the State House on the occasion.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, February 13.

Flour steady; Western Extra, $11 50@11 62½. Wheat dull for White Red, at $2 70@2 75. Corn firm; Yellow, $1 20. Provisions dull and drooping. Groceries heavy. Whisky nominal at $2 85.

SECOND EDITION.

4 O'CLOCK, A. M.

THE EVACUATION OF MOBILE CONFIRMED.

Union Fleet Approaching the City.

Its Capture Predicted by March 1st.

Commerce Between the States.

The Camden and Amboy R. R. Monopoly.

ILLINOIS SHIP CANAL.

Guerrilla Moseby at Varina Landing.

NIAGARA MARINE RAILWAY.

Secy. Fessenden's Successor.

Rumors as to Who Will be Appointed.

Duty on Foreign Printing Paper.

REVISION OF THE TONNAGE LAWS.

Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial.
WASHINGTON Feb. 13.

The officers connected with the army operating against Mobile, who arrived to-day, via Annapolis, confirm the report of the evacuation of that place by the rebel forces. They say that the city can, at any time, be captured by a small land force, and doubt very much if any resistance would be made. Within the last three or four weeks a large number of deserters have come within our lines on the Mobile Point, and are on board of our fleet in the bay. They state that most of the cotton has been removed to points further north. Our fleet is busily engaged in removing obstructions in the harbor, and day by day getting nearer to the city. Expectations were high that the force moving from Pascagoula would co-operate with General Granger's army and the fleet, and that our flag would float over the city before the 1st of March.

The bill to regulate commerce between the several States which practically destroys the Camden and Amboy monopoly came up in the Senate to-day, and was postponed until to-morrow at one o'clock, when it is made a special order. The Amboy Company is fighting it desperately, but the probabilities are now that it will pass.

Gen. Meigs, Superintendent of Government Railroads, has dispatched a large force of laborers to erect a mammoth wharf on the beach at Fort Fisher. A still larger force will leave with him next week to make further improvements along the Cape Fear river.

Hon. Horace Greely is in the city.

Mr. Arnold had a hearing before the Senate Military Committee to-day in behalf of the Illinois Canal. He is hopeful of the passage of the bill.

The guerrilla chief Moseby arrived last night on the steamer Mary Allison, which brought down the exchanged prisoners for Varina landing. He came as a passenger, in company with several ladies. He seemed to be quite familiar with some of our officers, but the majority of them did not notice him. Of course not.

A deputation of the leading capitalists of Boston and New York appeared before the Senate Military Committee and submitted a proposition to build, with the assistance of the Western capitalists, the Marine Railway around Niagara, the Government to have free use forever, for the transportation of its vessels, on condition that it pay to the company upon the completion of the work one million dollars, and three hundred thousand dollars annually for the period of ten years.

The sales of 7-30's to-day by Jay, Cooke & Co., at, are reported by the Assistant Treasurers amounted to ten per cent. It was manifest that to reduce the foreign tax to three per cent. would be equal to the same reduction if it was said this three per cent. was equal to six per cent, and was in the gold valuation. It was three per cent. on the currency, or six per cent. on the gold. The internal tax in this county had to be paid in currency valuation but the foreign tax in gold, or its equivalent. Mr. Sherman states that he was in favor, in the commencement, of making it ten per cent., but was overruled by the combination between home and foreign manufacturers. The Committee had over-ruled him, however, and now he would not consent to any change whatever. He believed some change ought to be made in the tax, because under the present rate of duty ground glass could be and been imported. Fifteen per cent. had been adopted as a compromise in the Committee, but he thought it would be more just to all to put it at twenty per cent. Generally, he said, was more interested than any other individual in this matter. It consumed more paper than any individual, and, therefore, was interested in this question. It had been proposed by some to allow the Government to import free of duty, but this would be regarded as villainous.

Mr. CALLAMER spoke in favor of maintaining the present rate of duty, as a source of revenue, and protection to home manufacturers.

Mr. WADE said he and his colleague, Mr. Sherman, had been instructed by the Ohio legislature to vote for a reduction of the duty. He questioned the right of that body to instruct them, and should not obey the instruction. He was in favor of the reduction of the duty on paper solid apply equally as well to all other articles as to paper. He was opposed to allowing manufacturers to foreign commission, believing that if this was done the country would be deprived of the means for paying the National debt.

Mr. HALE was in favor of the indefinite postponement of the resolution so as to leave the duty where it is now, twenty per cent. He made this a motion.

Mr. FOSTER said that in the State of Ohio last year, there had been $1,805,966 worth of paper made, and on them a tax of $5,428 had been paid. This was a great and growing interest and ought to be protected. Whatever light the subject was viewed, it must be looked upon as inexpedient to reduce the duty.

Mr. SHERMAN thought the amendment would not be indefinitely postponed, but that it would be met squarely by a frank vote. He was sure that if the Senate Committee on Finance knew the tariff laws they would not have voted as they have, in favor of the repeal. Paper had not in fact gone up since the passage of the tariff, and only followed the invariable standard of value, which was gold. He had examined this subject carefully, and had found it would be inexpedient to reduce the duty to three per cent. The amount of paper manufactured was ten million dollars per annum. He had stated that in 1862 there was collected an internal tax of ten millions of dollars. If the duty were placed at three per cent., it would be reduced to three and three million dollars worth in gold, on which the Government would receive about one million one hundred and fifty thousand dollars in revenue. This would be a loss to the Government of the difference between ten million dollars in currency and one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars in gold.

The motion to indefinitely postpone was decided in the negative, yeas 19, nays 25, as follows:—Yeas, Chandler, Howard, Lane, Doolittle, Foote, Foster, Hale, Harris, Morrill, Nye, Sprague, Ten Eyck, Van winkle, and Wade—19.

Nays—Messrs. Anthony, Clark, Conness, Davis, Farwell, Grimes, Henderson, Hendricks, Howard, Howe, Johnson, Lane, Ind.; Morgan, Nesmith, Pomeroy, Powell, Richardson, Riddle, Sherman, Sumner, Trumbull, Wiley, and Wilson—25.

Mr. Lane, of Indiana, moved an amendment to strike out fifteen and insert ten per cent.

After some remarks from Mr. Lane, of Indiana, and Johnson, Mr. Lane's amendment was rejected by the following vote:

Yeas—Brown, Buckalew, Davis, Grimes, Harlan, Lane, Ind.; Hendricks, Howard, Lane, Morgan, Nesmith, Pomeroy, Powell, Richardson, Saulsbury, Sherman, Sumner, Trumbull, 18.

Nays—Messrs. Clark, Collamer, Conness, Cowan, Dixon, Doolittle, Farwell, Foote, Foster, Harris, Johnson, Morrill, Nye, Ramsey, Riddle, Sprague, Ten Eyck, Wilson, and Wiley—21.

The question then recurred on the amendment of the Finance Committee to make the duty fifteen per cent.

This was agreed to by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Chandler, Clark, Collamer, Conness, Cowan, Dixon, Doolittle, Farwell, Foote, Foster, Harris, Johnson, Morrill, Nesmith, Nye, Pomeroy, Ramsey, Riddle, Sherman, Sprague, Stewart, Sumner, Ten Eyck, Van Winkle, Wade, Wiley, Wilson—26.

Nays.—Brown, Buckalew, Grimes, Harlan, Hendricks, Lane, Indiana; Morgan, Powell, Richardson, Saulsbury, Trumbull, Wilkinson—12.

The question was then taken to the final passage of the bill as amended by striking out *three* and inserting *fifteen* per centum, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The Senate then went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

House.—On motion of Mr. SCHENCK, a joint resolution was adopted appropriating $25,000 for a contract with William H. Powell to paint a picture illustrative of some naval victory, to be placed at the head of the grand staircase of the capitol.

Mr. ASHLEY offered a preamble that, *Whereas*, in consequence of the rebellion, and since the proclamation of emancipation, a large number of persons of color have been brought from Maryland, Virginia and other States, and left in and around the national capital; and, *whereas*, it is reported that many of them have died for want of food; and, *whereas*, it is reported that from ten to twenty thousand are in want; and, *whereas*, it is reported that hundreds are in the service of the United States and fighting in the defence of the Government.

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs inquire into the truth of said reports, and that the committee report what action, if any, is necessary in the premises, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

The proposition was agreed to.

Mr. DAWSON offered a resolution declaring that the war has been progressing four years with a regardless destruction of life, and the imposition of an enormous public debt, and that members of Congress are bound by their oaths and solemn pledges, to conduct the war for the re establishment of the just supremacy of the laws; therefore,

Resolved, That the President be requested to use all honorable and just means to bring about a lasting peace, and the re-establishment of fraternal relations with all the people on the simple basis of the Constitution and laws, and with every proper guarantee to the Southern States which shall protect them in the engagement of their rights and local institutions in the manner the Constitution secures.

Mr. THAYER moved that the resolution be laid upon the table. Agreed to by 73 against 42

Mr. WILLIAMS offered a series of resolutions, declaring that there is no power under the constitution which warrants us to treat with the Southern States either for a severance of the Union or the alteration of any article of the fundamental law. That inasmuch as the Confederate States have taken up arms against the Government of the United States without just provocation, and for the avowed purpose of asserting and maintaining their independence, and still persist by armed resistance to the authority of the United States; and as our public authorities have declared it was their duty to decline to accept of any terms short of absolute submission to its laws; and

Whereas, With a magnanimity almost unsurpassed, an amnesty was promised to all except the chief conspirators, it is hereby declared that the Government has already established all the essentials of a just and wise statesmanship except so far as regards an earnest and vigorous prosecution of the war to effect a restoration of peace, and to that end has done all that a proper regard to our interest allows, and which a decent respect to the opinions of the world could demand, and, therefore, any further overtures, public or private, official or unofficial, looking to a treaty or coming to a conference with the conspirators at Richmond, would be inconsistent with our public faith and dignity, and expose us to misconstruction as to our ability to compel the rebels to obedience.

On motion of Mr. ELDRIDGE, the resolutions were laid upon the table—yeas, 71; nays, 52.

The House went into Committee on the Ananatory Revenue bill.

Mr. NELSON moved an amendment to lay a tax on maple sugar and maple molasses. He referred to the fact that the yield of the latter was thirty-nine millions of gallons annually.

Mr. MORRIL said the remarks of the gentleman were intended to be sweet on him, but he would remind the New York gentleman that more sorghum than Vermont. The proposition was debated among others, and by Mr. Strauss, who said if the gentleman would go to the labor of extracting the sap of the maple and boiling it all day he would think he had been taxed enough.

Mr. Nelson's amendment was disagreed to.

Much time was consumed in considering amendments to exempt Bibles and Testaments, or volumes containing them of either and prayer books, from any duty or tax. These were agreed to.

The same section also exempts, from duty or tax, arithmetics, spelling books, geographies, grammars and school books of all kinds used in common and primary schools, and all books printed exclusively for the use of Sunday Schools, provided it shall not apply to books valued at more than 150 dollars per volume.

The Committee rose and the House adjourned.

Removal of the New York State Capitol.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.

At the meeting of the board of supervisors this afternoon, a resolution was offered, stating that,

WHEREAS, the authorities contemplates the removal of the State Capitol to Albany, the present request the State Government to accept the new County Court House, for the purposes of an Capitol.

The resolution was carried unanimously, and immediately signed by the Mayor.

Traders' Bank of Providence, R. I., Robbed.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., February 13.

The Traders' Bank of this city was entered by burglars some time between Saturday night and Monday morning, and a large amount of Government bonds, $60,000 in coupons, to different parties and $6,000 in gold, belonging to the bank, stolen. It is stated that no bills of the bank were taken.

Sale of Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.

Prices of mining stocks bid to Boston brokers are below: Central, 6; Pelandis, 5; Huron, 4; Isle Royal, 13½; Minnesota, 2; Copper Falls, 30¾; Quincy, 90; market dull and unchanged.

The Wealth of Pennsylvania.

The Philadelphia Board of Trade, in its last annual report, presents a few facts concern ing the great wealth of the State, which serve as illustrations of what we know, and as indications of what the value of our products in the future may be. They estimate that in the year 1864, the coal product alone amounted to 9,836,174 tons of anthracite, 422,992 tons of semi-bituracite, and 2,200,000 tons of bituminous, in all, 12,688,552 tons valued at $69,821,926. The product of iron was valued at 54,784,907 dollars; and the of petroleum at $46,912,430. These three staples, therefore, have yielded the enormous sum of 171,519,263 in the single year 1864. In a year of scarce labor, high wages, and of a war which might be presumed to engross all the energies of the people, the product of each of the three articles named—Petroleum—may be said to be in its infancy and every year will show an amount and value of it greatly augmented.

The pecuniary values of these enormous productions are not half the benefits they

SPECIAL NOTICES

Purviance's Photograph Rooms, corner of Fifth and Market streets, second and third stories, over Richardson's jewelry store, Pittsburgh, Pa. Photographs of every style, plain or colored, from the popular carte de visite to cabinet and life-size. Mr. Purviance would particularly call the attention of the aged and infirm to the easy accessibility of this establishment, being reached by a single short flight of stairs. Prices moderate, and satisfaction guaranteed.

The Daily Commercial.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1865.

☞ Correspondence on matters of public interest is solicited and will be thankfully received from our friends in all parts of the country, when accompanied by responsible names. More especially whatever relates to the discovery and production of oil, the development of oil lands, and reliable oil intelligence in general, will be acceptable and is desired. Events of local interest mechanical and agricultural results, inventions and improvements of every description, clearly and briefly described, are solicited. To secure attention, communications should be brief, entirely reliable, and sent as promptly as possible.

Letters concerning the business departments of the newspaper or printing office should be addressed to the Business Manager. Communications designed for the paper should be addressed to The Editor.

The Rebel spasm.

The Richmond meeting, of which the COMMERCIAL published a full and exclusive report yesterday, showed that the rebels were undergoing a spasm, such a one as might naturally be supposed would precede dissolution. Mr. BENJAMIN rather let the cat out of the bag in going without reserve for the arming of the slaves. It was a tacit admission that it was the only thing that could be done. Taken in connection with the rejection of the proposition, by the rebel Congress, only a few days before, Mr. BENJAMIN'S admission concedes the whole ground. The rejection was because the remedy would be worse than the disease; in other words, that the slaves could not be trusted. But conceding this, Mr. BENJAMIN thinks there is more to be hoped for in that than in any other experiment. There was no hope whatever in going on as they had been going. This is about the upshot of Mr. BENJAMIN'S position, and the other speeches were even less hopeful; for, while they admitted the desperate condition of the South, they had no remedy to propose.

It is written all over the South—in the rebel Capitol, which is the South—that the leaders have resolved to put forth a desperate effort, which will be the last. To this end they are doing their best to "fire the Southern heart." But judging from the difficulty they seem to experience in rousing their own ardor, the success that will attend their efforts will not be great. Indeed, one of the Richmond papers concedes how futile will the attempt prove to be, and that it will be succeeded by a state of even greater discouragement and supineness than existed before. If the Richmond leaders could command men equal to their sense of desperation, they would place a million in the field. But these they have not—and so they propose to summon their chattels to appeal to them to save them, and offer them the promise of freedom, if they succeed. Men were never offered freedom at a higher price, nor so feeble security that the price would be paid. The intelligence which even the slaveholders concede to the slaves of the South, is sufficient to enable them to discern how hollow is the offer of those masters who bankrupt in everything, seek to make terms with their slaves to save them from the fate which the civilized world declares they have merited. The offer of freedom to the slave is but a repetition of the offer by the Evil One of unbounded possessions, not a rod of which did he own. They have not the right of freedom to give the slaves. The terms of the offer pre-suppose that the negroes, so far from being slaves, are the real masters of the South, and the owners the most miserable of beings.

Extinguishing the National Debt.

The proposition to pay the national debt by public subscription, originally suggested more in humor than in earnest, is being seriously discussed by the press. The Philadelphia *Gazette* remarks: "In shares of ten dollars every one could participate in the effort to the extent of his or her means. We have heard of a number of favorable responses in this city to the original proposition, and if the thing be once commenced in earnest there could hardly be a doubt of its success. It is at least worthy of a trial." While we are not prepared to contend for the soundness of the doctrine that a public debt is a public blessing, we think the question, what would be the effect of getting suddenly out of debt, is at least worthy of consideration. Our debt at present is held by our own people, and the plan proposed is to some extent to pay out of one hand into the other. Since the property and business of the country will have to pay, principal and interest, and since it is but the property and business of the country that can extinguish the debt by subscription, the proposition is slightly paradoxical.

SUBSTITUTES.—The new enrollment bill now under consideration by Congress contains an amendment to the present law which will relieve it of a very harsh provision, and add to the strength of the army, instead of diminishing it. That is, allowing substitutes to be furnished from among persons enrolled and liable to the draft. It is this provision which has caused so much trouble in filling quotas, but has not added to the numerical or physical strength of the army. Only veterans and aliens are accepted under the present rule, and experience has proved that a majority of the deserters and bounty-jumpers are substitutes not liable to draft. The amendment is a very proper one, and should be adopted immediately, in order that its provisions may apply to the present draft.

AN EXAMPLE.—JAMES LAWRENCE, of Boston, has given two thousand five hundred dollars for the additional equipment of the laboratory of the Scientific School at Harvard College, which is in addition to the sum of fifty thousand dollars, as a permanent fund for the benefit of the chemical and engineering departments. Mr. LAWRENCE'S father, ABBOTT LAWRENCE, founded this school by the gift of fifty thousand dollars, and added a bequest of fifty thousand dollars more at his death. The example of the LAWRENCES is worthy of imitation. There is not a community where it cannot be imitated, and we trust we may have an early opportunity to record a similar instance of liberality in Pittsburgh.

A TEA FRAUD.—The high price of tea has stimulated fraud. A new preparation has been made in New York of wheat husks taken from the barn floor after threshing, slightly crushed, and then colored black or green for the different varieties of tea which it is designed to adulterate. This article is styled "Japan Tea," and is already extensively used in New York and Philadelphia, where it is sold to grocers for mixing with genuine tea, which they sell at from 75 cents to $1 50 per pound.

The price of the adulteration is from twenty to thirty cents per pound. It is tasteless, and may be perfectly harmless, if there is nothing poisonous in the coloring matter.

HIGH LIFE IN WASHINGTON.—Mrs. N. P. Lasselle, author of several popular novels, never wrote a better one than "High Life in Washington," which she characterizes as "a true picture from life of real persons and characters." As the name implies, the main action is in the metropolis, but antecedents to the rebellion. The author evidently has written with full knowledge of the wheels within wheels at the seat of Government, and exhibits the machinery with a very free hand. Of course, there is a love-tale, of which Hope Marshall is the heroine. Published by T. B. Peterson & Brothers, and for sale by Miner.

"A HIT."—The New York *Post* violently assailed Representative Rice, of Massachusetts, for opposing the reduction of duty on paper, whereupon the Boston *Advertiser* makes a defense of Mr. R., which concludes as follows; —"The *Evening Post* styles its tirade 'A Word on Public Morals.' Lectures on public morals from that quarter might perhaps very properly be deferred until after the trial of the late navy agent of New York."

A cotemporary describes Henry S. Foote's appearance in Washington recently as follows: He looks much worn physically since he was in the United States senate, and as he has discarded his wig, and wears the gospel of hair and whiskers, of course he looks much older than at that time. In dress, there was a touch of change from his usual appearance of other time. He has apparently discarded the use of the razor, and from the surpassage of rough looking clothing upon his person, it would seem that he had taken this mode of conveying his wardrobe. Thus he had on him at the station three coats and two vests, all of which looked worse for wear, as also an old soldier cap, of the red style of shabbiness, the band of which had slipped to the back of his head.

The New Tax Bill.

Corruption and speculation in office are not peculiar to this country, but have been the bane of all Governments, however organized. NICHOLAS, of Russia, announced shortly before his death that he was the only officer of his Empire who did not steal. Wealth acquired in that manner leaves no stigma upon the possessor, and, indeed, the conscientious official who does not make improper use of his opportunities of amassing riches, is regarded as a dull fellow, who cannot help himself. This evil has its root in the opinion that he who robs the community or the State, commits a much less offence than he who steals from an individual. We think it a greater crime, for the reason that it involves a breach of trust, and often a violation of oaths. DANTE was of the same opinion, for in the Inferno, he places the cheating speculators, officers and contractors, in the most horrible recesses of hell, and subjects them to peculiar torment.

In this country, perhaps, public sentiment is not so much to blame for this great and growing evil, as party tactics. The career of such a man as FERNANDO WOOD strikingly illustrates the extent to which public and private opinion may be overborne by obligations to party.

Public sentiment is to blame—party organizations more to blame—but the skirts of the State are not clear.

Under the false impression that it is rightful to take from associations of private individuals what cannot be taken from a single individual, the highest sovereign power of the State has been used to legalize robbery. The thieving clerk or agent or manager of a corporation justifies himself by the plea that he injures no particular person. Upon the same plea the State imposes upon associated capital and industry oppressive and unequitable taxes, and any remonstrance is met by the flippant allegation that the banks, the railroad, manufacturing and mining companies have plenty of money—they can stand it. In this spirit the highwayman takes the road to relieve rich travelers of their surplus wealth.

It is high time that the great and varied industrial interests of the State of Pennsylvania should be protected by the adoption of some equitable and permanent principle of taxation.

Great enterprises can only be conducted by associations of persons who act through representatives endowed with perpetuity. They exist under and by virtue of general and special laws of the State, and there is nothing in them or about them which may legitimately be taxed, except the values they possess. Whatever worth their peculiar privileges may have, will necessarily take the shape of tangible property, which should be equally burdened with all other like property for the support of the Government. Anything less than this would argue imbecility in the State or in those who control its legislation. Anything more the moralist cannot justify, and it must also be condemned by the wise political economist in whose eyes a blunder is worse than a crime.

If any companies possess *privileges* which should never have been granted, *let them be repealed*. It is the extreme of folly to tax them. If they are monopolies they will use their exclusive powers to increase the burthen of taxation from their own shoulders upon the community, and thus the original injustice is rendered doubly grievous and the State, as receiver, becomes *particeps criminis* with the thief.

In the absence of any fixed principle and under the shifting and inequitable tax laws which have heretofore been enacted, there is a constant struggle between corrupt legislators on the one hand and powerful corporations on the other. No matter is a new interest successfully developed through the wreck of repeated experiments and the ruin of a succession of enterprising projectors, than legislators consider, not how it may be fostered and assured of prosperity, but how it may be rendered tributary to their private interests. Railroads have paid largely for immunity from threatened legislation, but are now so strong that they have little to fear. The oil interest may next be attacked, and innovations threatened upon its vested rights, not for the advantage of the State or the protection of the people, but solely for the purpose of realizing black mail.

An established principle of taxation would in a great measure remedy these abuses. It would be at least a step in the right direction. Such a principle is found in the new bill, which taxes *property* according to its *value*, no matter by whose hands it may be owned. Whatever property consists in real estate, goods and merchandise, there is no practical difficulty in the case. Certain companies would not be in this category, but capital invested can always be ascertained, and in conjunction with its accumulations and profits affords a fair measure of present value. The new tax bill will furnish the data for equitable assessments in every instance. In the mining enterprises the corporations would at first pay larger taxes, they would participate in the general amelioration of rates consequent upon a full discovered and true assessment of all property, and the superabundant revenue which it will produce. Above all, there will be immunity from the caprice or cupidity of legislation, and that stability which is necessary to the development of great industrial interests will be secured.

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The School Division of Allegheny County.

To the Editor of the Pittsburgh Commercial:

Shall Allegheny county be divided for school purposes? The question is likely to soon come before the Legislature, and the result is certainly of sufficient importance to justify the deepest interest. It is astonishing that while scores of private and local bills are engrossing the attention of the community, one bearing directly upon the educational interests of the whole county scarcely calls out even an expression of opinion.

No one who has that knowledge of our public schools which becomes a good citizen can doubt that our city schools are not and cannot be properly looked after by a Superintendent whose field of duty is the whole county. The Superintendent should visit every country school at least twice during each term, and every city school twice every year; and not merely visit but thoroughly examine. Besides this labor, and the great amount of time passed in riding from house to house, he must examine once a year the majority of teachers actually employed, examine every new applicant sent him by any Board of Directors, carefully inspect the papers of each one, make out certificates, collect statistics, and a hundred other duties. Both city and county suffer by this pressure upon it is time; but in the city, where we can afford it least, we suffer most. Our Ward Schools, containing from ten to eighteen teachers, and from 500 to 1,800 scholars, are permitted to go on year after year without a thorough official visit. Appointment after appointment is made with directors and teachers for examinations, and not met by reason of the Superintendent's absence in the country; certificates are not returned for weeks and even months after examination; teachers are kept for years upon "provisionals," because the Superintendent cannot get time to visit their rooms, and rank them in practical teaching; and everything so far as general supervision of the schools is concerned, is managed with a looseness that no prudent man would allow in his private business. It is by no means designed to cast any imputation upon the activity and faithfulness of the present County Superintendent. These are difficulties inherent to the situation; and it is safe to say that he could not, if called upon now, give a well-founded statement of the present comparative condition of any three wards, and that there are in our city schools teachers of one, two and even three years' experience, who have never yet received an official visit from him in their school rooms.

But *how* shall the needed division be made? The bill before the Legislature contemplates making Pittsburgh, Allegheny and the surrounding boroughs one district, and the remainder of the county another. The proposition proposes making the river the dividing line. The former has the merit of making one district of cities and boroughs closely together whose interests harmonize. The cities need a man whose whole time shall be devoted to their interests, and who can, as years go by, be reached for purposes of official consultation. At present it is often extremely difficult to find the Superintendent, however urgent the business.

Under the present arrangement, the Superintendent is virtually elected by the County Directors. Every president of a school board is forgetting that the interests of a ward school of fifteen hundred pupils may differ somewhat from those of their own village school. Farmers' sons and daughters, they elect a Superintendent, fix the salary and everything else pertaining to the office to suit themselves. They do not mean to, but the city schools are inferior to ours, but they are not *superior*. The cities pay the heavy taxes, and the river is the dividing line. The river-line division does not remove this difficulty, but only allows the county directors to control the two districts instead of one. The people of the county certainly have no reason to demonstrate against the passage of the bill in opposite districts from their office, and their own interests will be promoted by it as well as ours. The Superintendent has no friends to favor, and the people will be benefitted and his own labor diminished.

Let us have a Superintendent for the two cities and their surrounding boroughs, and then we may hope for a thorough organized school system. Then we can have regular official visits; all the abuses of the present can be corrected; yearly reports can be digested and assured of prosperity, but how it may be rendered tributary to their private interests. Railroads have paid largely for immunity from threatened legislation, but are now so strong that they have little to fear. The oil interest may next be attacked, and innovations threatened upon its vested rights, not for the advantage of the State or the protection of the people, but solely for the purpose of realizing black mail.

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The State.

J. Sewell Stewart, Esq., of Huntingdon, has been appointed United States Assessor of Internal Revenue, for the Seventeenth District, in place of John Dean, of Hallidaysburg, removed.

The quota of Altona is fifty-one men. That of Johnstown, 105 men.

On Sunday, 5th instant, four boys from Minersville, Cambria county, went into one of Wood, Morrell & Co.'s mines, and set fire to a keg of powder. One was instantly killed, another will die from his injuries, and the other two will recover.

An individual, calling himself William H. Roland made his appearance last Fall in Johnstown, and represented that he was engaged in buying grain for Government. He formed an attachment for Miss Louisa Stremel, which it seems soon became mutual, as they were married on the 30th of October. He lived with his wife until the 17th of November, when he left for Pittsburg, on the intention of shipping grain. Since then he has not been heard from, and his wife is exceedingly anxious about him. It is surmised that the fellow's real name is E. A. Irwin. He said he formerly resided at Massillon, Ohio.

The Allegheny College, at Meadville, has received cash benefactions within the past six months amounting to eighty thousand dollars

Major John McClintock died on Friday morning last, at Latrobe, Westmoreland county, from injuries received by being thrown from a sleigh on the previous Wednesday.

Personal.

A late foreign paper says a brother of the rebel General Breckinridge is working in Greenock, Scotland, as a journeyman engineer. He is named Archibald Breckinridge.

The rebel Major Harry Gilmer passed through Boston on Friday, on his way to Fort Warren. Gilmer is full six feet in height, and is not by any means the worst looking man in the rebel ranks.

A. M. Griswold, a comic writer, well known to newspaper readers at the West, as the "Fat Contributor," and for a time connected with the Cleveland press, is in the lecture field with a new lecture entitled "Hunkidoria."

General John W. Geary was promoted by President Lincoln to be Brevet Major General of United States Volunteers, for fitness to command and promptness to execute, to date from January 12, 1865.

When Senator Wilson, of Massachusetts, was first elected, he closed up his shoe business at Natick, and found himself worth a modest dwelling house and $2,500 in cash. During the first year he lost $2,400 by loaning it, and now, at the end of nine years, he is worth his residence at Natick and $700 in cash.

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Oil Intelligence.

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Special Correspondence of Pittsburgh Commercial.

GUYANDOTTE, W. V., Jan. 31.

I am surprised that our Pittsburgh oil men have so entirely overlooked Cabell county as an oil region, and can only account for it by imputing it to ignorance of its value. I venture to say there is no part of West Virginia that shows to an experienced eye to more advantage, than the country within ten miles of this town. There are numerous creeks along the Guyandotte river and the creeks that run into the Ohio river, within a circle of some ten or twelve miles from here, that make the prospector's eyes sparkle with delight. I have seen Oil Creek in miniature several times, and can find numerous Cherry Runs, and Indian Runs on them, too. It is very common to find oil upon most of the small watercourses in this section of country, and the dry season affords. There are within two miles of here places where oil has been gathered in summer, and used for lighting their houses and greasing their shoes—at least this is vouched for by many who profess to have seen and used it.

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To the Editor of the Commercial:

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 10, 1865.

THE COMMERCIAL of the 9th contains an announcement of the fact that the Act of 1863, granting the proceed of land to the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania has been repealed. The bill originally introduced, by whom it has been referred, are in favor of a bill dividing the lands into six parts. If this landfhad been given by Congress to the States for educational purposes, without stating what particular branch, then it would be well enough for all the Colleges in the State to secure their share of the land, but when it was given for the express purpose of endowing the Agricultural College, and the Mechanic arts, Literary Institutions cannot have as strong a claim upon it as those that were founded for agricultural education, to the exclusion of the languages and those sciences not immediately connected with agriculture. It is true that Pennsylvania's share of land scrip would possibly yield $600,000, but divide it into six parts each share would be but $100,000. Invest this at 10 per cent. and it would give an income of $10,000, which would go very far towards the endowment of a first-class institution. Harvard University has an income of $152,570, and yet makes good use of all of it, and is prepared to give students a very thorough education.

Connecticut has wisely given the whole of her share of the lands to Yale, and in a few years, no doubt, there will be a first-class mutual department connected with that college.

Pennsylvania has no college that is in as flourishing condition as Yale, and none, except Lafayette College, that could avail themselves immediately apply this fund to the purposes for which it was intended. This may at first seem unfair to the Lafayette College, but that latter institution on so large a scale that has been founded for the purposes of agricultural education.

There are four hundred acres of land, most of which is under cultivation, attached to the building, which is intended to accommodate eighteen hundred students. In addition to this they have a fine barn and other out-buildings necessary for a farm, and recitation rooms and apparatus for studying and investigating the science of farming.

Besides all this the friends of the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania were mainly instrumental in getting the bill donating the land through Congress, and it is somewhat unjust to rob it of its rights by repealing the act of 1863. The land was offered for an insufficient price. Harvard, certainly less than half that amount would not be too much for the endowment of a branch College in the United States, and, for illuminating purposes, its cheapness and purity is be one of the leading interests of the country in a very few years, if it is not so already, and anything tending to increase this should receive liberal encouragement.

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Financial and Business News.

The following is the comparative statement of the imports of foreign Dry Goods at the port of New York for the week ending February 10, and since January 1:

For the Week.	1863.	1864.	1865.
Ent'd at the port.	$791,017	$2,025,068	$827,806
Thrown on m'k't	918,223	2,132,411	1,043,381
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The total imports at New York for the week compares as follows with previous returns:

	Dry Goods.	Gen. Mdse.	Total.
February 11.....	$827,806	$668,600	$1,516,406
February 4.....	757,549	1,820,420	2,598,969
January 28.....	749,534	2,215,643	2,965,177
January 21.....	496,109	1,597,296	2,093,405
January 14.....	572,608	2,093,907	2,666,515

The merchants of Boston have determined to inaugurate the spring business with a regular trade sale. The *Bulletin* says: "These sales were not made under the auspices of the regular trade, nor have New England, much less Boston men, been guilty of the folly of sending their goods to outside markets to be forced off at auction. Whenever they have any surplus stock to be disposed of in that way, they have business sagacity enough to know that it is for their interest to keep them here, and thus bring customers to their own doors, instead of driving them away to other cities."

A case has just been concluded in the Brookyn (N. Y.) City Court, which is interesting to dealers in petroleum oil. The suit was brought by Daniel O. Ketchum to recover damages from Michael L. Keller for a breach of contract, under the following circumstances: On the 22d of September, 1863, the plaintiff agreed to sell to the defendant 500 barrels of petroleum oil at 65 cents per gallon, deliverable at the option of the buyer on ten days' notice to the seller, at any time between October 20th and November 30th, 1863. Prior to November 20th the market went down, and on the 30th of November plaintiff called at defendant's office and told him that the oil was ready for him, but the defendant declined to take it, and the plaintiff then brought the present suit. The defendant claimed that there was no proper tender of the oil, and that it should have been offered long enough time before the last day to give him time to inspect it; and he also claimed that the oil was not in shipping order, and called a number of witnesses who proved that the heads of a number of the barrels were made of white pine instead of oak. The jury found a verdict for plaintiff for full amount claimed, $4,189, with costs and interests.

Mr. Goodwin Smith has written a croaking letter on "American Finance," which appears in the London *News*. "I went to America," says he, "convinced that amid so much that was truly great, the financial administration was the weak point; and I have returned with that confirmed. And the root of all the mischief here at work he believes to be the Legal Tender Act. Although there be some estimates for our debt, and undervalues our resources, the timid may find consolation in its closing remark: 'Let them have better rulers and better shoes—at least this is vouched for by many who profess to have seen and used it.'

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Every interest is necessary, and nothing in the end is so cheap as principle. Especially is this true in the value of political economy. It is the chief merit of the new tax bill, that while it remedies many grievances, it furnishes a safe principle by which it may itself be moulded and expanded to cover all existing objects of taxation, and all that may be hereafter developed, without doing injustice to vested rights, or discouraging productive industry.

Pittsburgh, above all other places, is interested in the question, and the business men of Pittsburgh should make their influence felt in favor of the passage of this bill.

Taxing Petroleum.

In the House of Representatives on the 9th, Mr. Morrill, Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, introduced the bill for raising revenue for the support of the Government. Without reducing that on refined petroleum, the committee propose to place a duty on crude petroleum, and do not propose any drawback whatever when exported. It is believed that this marvelous product can be found almost exclusively in the United States, and, for illuminating purposes, its cheapness and purity is be one of the leading interests of the country in a very few years, if it is not so already, and anything tending to increase this should receive liberal encouragement.

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General Intelligence.

No less than eleven boys were turned out of the district schools in Cleveland, the week before last, for being drunk in school. Investigation has disclosed the fact that nearly half of schoolboys in that city, from ten to eighteen years of age, are in the constant habit of visiting low drinking saloons.

A man named Riley, in Buffalo, murdered his wife on Saturday morning last. He came home in the evening intoxicated, and not finding supper ready, quarrelled with her, and then kicked her down, and stamped on her face and stomach until he killed her, his little children looking on in horror.

A coon-any has been organized in Cleveland for working a portion of the Iron Mountain range on the south shore of Lake Superior, opposite La Pointe, in Wisconsin. This mountain is magnetic iron. It was located for the Government by Whittlesey, who published in Owen's Geological Reports as having discovered it in 1849.

The Democratic State Convention of Connecticut, on Wednesday last, nominated Mr. Thos. H. Seymour for Governor, and reaffirmed the peace platform adopted by the party in 1863, with an additional resolution denouncing the constitutional amendment abolishing slavery. Mr. Seymour is an ultra submissionist of the Vallandigham school.

The New York Assembly have passed the State bounty bill, which authorizes a State debt of thirty millions of dollars. Should the Senate concur, the question will then be submitted to the people.

The police department of Baltimore costs $260,400 a year, or about one dollar for each inhabitant. The police department of Pittsburgh, it is estimated will cost the current year $42,000, or about fifty cents for each inhabitant of the city proper. Baltimore is now as well conducted and as orderly a city as there is in the Union.

The number of scholars in attendance at the public schools of California last year, was 34,175. The whole number of teachers employed is 1,079, of whom 556 were males and 523 females. The average monthly wages of male teachers is $73 88, and of female teachers $44 91. The average length of the schools is 6 months and 27 days, and the teachers are paid only for the time they are actually employed. The total valuation of the school property of the State is $937,371, of which San Francisco owns one-fifth.

A French paper states that "a great English countess, whose name will shortly be before the Divorce Court, has arrived in Paris, having eloped with her coachman."

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CITY MATTERS,

☞ For additional local see first page.

RELIEF OF REFUGEES—PUBLIC MEETING AT THE BOARD OF TRADE ROOMS—FORMATION OF A RELIEF ASSOCIATION.—According to previous announcement, a meeting was held at the Board of Trade Rooms, on Monday afternoon for the purpose of taking into consideration the condition of destitute Southern refugees, and proposing some plan for their immediate relief.

On motion of Mr. John Watt, the meeting was organized by calling His Honor Mayor Lowry to the chair, and appointing Mr. M. De Lange Secretary.

After stating the object of the meeting, the chairman called upon those present to propose business.

Mr. Watt suggested that the business of the meeting should be to form an association, to co-operate with similar organizations in other cities. Energetic men, who were willing and anxious to work for the object, should be elected officers and appointed upon the Committees.

Mr. F. H. Eaton stated that Cincinnati had raised $15,000 in their first effort. Although we have but few refugees amongst us, we are able and should be willing to do our share.

Mr. Jacob Glosser said that the condition of many of the refugees coming into our limits was truly heart-rending. Women, who had been reared in affluence, were lying sick and unable to help themselves. It was well known how much suffering had occurred on the wharf at Cairo, among these unfortunate people. We should be energetic in our action, and endeavor to afford some relief.

Rev. J. McMillan stated that he knew from personal observation that the condition of the refugees was miserable in the extreme. What was needed here now was an association to which all could contribute. Every one preferred giving their contributions through a channel which they understood, and which they knew was doing good.

The Chairman said that he believed the meeting was proposing to act in the right direction, and requested some person present to suggest a plan of organization.

Mr. F. H. Cooley, announced that Mr. Beers, a volunteer agent of the Hagerstown, Maryland, Relief Association, was present, and moved that he be requested to address the meeting, which was adopted.

Mr. Beers stated that his object in visiting the city was to solicit subscriptions for the Hagerstown Association. A large number of refugees were arriving at that place daily, and their destitute condition appealed to the heart of every one who witnessed their sufferings. He was not a regular authorized agent of the Association, but would say any supplies sent to its care would be honestly and judiciously applied to alleviate the sufferings of the distressed.

Mr. James Park, Jun., moved that the meeting proceed to organize a society for the relief of the refugees. Adopted.

An election for permanent officers of the society was then entered into, which resulted as follows:

President—Alexander Bradley.

Vice-Presidents—James Park, Jun., Rev. J. McMillan, John Watt, and James Robb.

Secretary—M. De Lange.

Treasurer—Florence Kramer.

Executive Committee—Jacob Glosser, F. H. Eaton, William McCreery, Edward Gregg, Wm. E. Schmertz, J. R. McClintock, William Stowson, John Wilson, S. B. McElroy, and M. K. Moorhead.

On motion the committee was empowered to receive resignations, and add to their number.

Mr. Eaton stated that the citizens generally were not aware of the destitution and suffering of refugees in our city, and cited an instance which had come under his observation. A family from the South arrived in this city, and moved into a house in the Seventh Ward. A few days afterwards a resident of the locality called upon them, and found them without the common necessities of life. The neighbors assisted them and they are now comparatively comfortable.

The Chairman stated that he was acquainted with many similar cases. On Saturday night two families of refugees arrived, and being without means wandered about the streets until three o'clock in the morning, when they were met by a charitable citizen of Allegheny, who took one of the families to his residence, on Lacock street, where they yet remain. The other family was taken in charge by another gentleman, who provided them with lodgings, and on Monday morning procured the father of the family a situation on the Connellsville Railroad. The employees of the road furnished him with suitable clothing, he being ragged and barefooted. Members of the families were suffering from fevers superinduced by hunger and exposure.

A recital of these cases created considerable feeling in the meeting, when Mr. James Park, Jr., moved that persons becoming acquainted with similar cases of destitution be requested to make the facts known to the reporters of the city press, for publication. The motion was adopted.

Mr. Glosser announced that Mr. Wm. McCreery had consented to receive any packages sent to his place of business, No. 105 Second street, until a general depository could be established.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the same place this afternoon at three o'clock. It is to be hoped that the citizens will see the necessity of the movement, and that the attendance will be large.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.—Late on Saturday afternoon a fire broke out in Edgeworth Seminary, located at Sewickly, which destroyed the entire building. The fire originated in a bake oven adjacent, and owing to the frozen state of the water, and the entire absence of fire apparatus or even a proper "bucket" organization, the whole edifice was destroyed. The progress of the flames was so exceedingly rapid that it was with difficulty that the furniture belonging to the lessee, Prof. A. Williams, and the personal effects of the inmates, composed of young lady pupils and several boarders could be rescued. Very little, however, of this was burned, but much of the furniture was badly damaged, some of it having been thrown from the second story windows. The house and furniture were, we believe, pretty well covered by insurance. The family, pupils and boarders all escaped without personal hurts, and were kindly received and hospitably entertained by the neighbors. The buildings—at least the main portion of them—were erected by Mrs. Oliver, who removed thither from Braddock's Fields. This energetic and estimable lady was succeeded by Rev. Dr. Nevin, he by Rev. Samuel Williams, brother of the present lessee; he by Dr. Wilson, and he, several years since, by Prof. A. Williams, formerly of Jefferson College, Canonsburg. We learn that it is the intention of the friends of the Edgeworth Seminary to rebuild it as soon as possible. We trust they may succeed and that ere long the village of Sewickley may be able to boast of one of the finest educational establishments in the country.

"TRUE LOVE NEVER DID RUN SMOOTH."—Alderman Butler, who seems to be, by general consent, the regulator of good order in the Sixth Ward, had rather a strange case before him yesterday. It seems that a young man—"who should have tarried in Jericho till his beard grew"—had become smitten with the charms of a blooming miss just entering her teens. So deeply had the arrows of Cupid entered his young and sensitive heart, that he was unfitted for his usual avocations and fancied he could not live save in the presence of his charmer. His mother, who was in a measure dependent upon him for support, was not disposed to let him make a "downright fool" of himself, as she expressed it, and believing that, as he was not yet old enough to be drafted he was "o'er young to marry yet," had him arrested and brought before Alderman Butler. He heard the case with his usual good nature and due regard for justice, but concluded that he had no warrant to use his aldermanic authority to prevent "Young America" from admiring a pretty girl. But upon his advice the young Adonis promised to "tear himself from his love" and go to work "like a good boy." This satisfied his weeping mother, who left the office with her "precious boy," seemingly a happy woman. We should, perhaps, state that the father of the young miss was present and assured the Alderman that he would see to it that the young man "kept his distance from his house." The end is not yet.

DISCHARGED.—Robert Phillips was before the Mayor yesterday charged on oath of John Cousin, with running recruits from this State into other States. Phillips is a substitute broker, and was charged with being engaged in recruiting for certain localities out of the State. There not being sufficient evidence to hold the accused he was discharged.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—On Saturday evening at Martinsville, a brakeman on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad, while switching off some cars, was knocked down upon the track. The engine passed over his body, severing both legs into a shapeless mass. It is thought he cannot recover. The unfortunate man was taken to Bellair, where he resides.

THE WEATHER.—For the past two or three days the weather has been extremely cold, thus showing the good sense of the ground hog in returning to his hole.

DISBANDED AND GONE HOME.—The first company to reach the capital of the State, under the authority to recruit fifty companies, was one from Lawrence, Mifflin county. They arrived at Harrisburg on Tuesday, and on Friday they disbanded and left for home for the following reasons: The men comprising the company are of the best character at home. In volunteering ization, they felt they were entitled to the privileges of volunteers in contradistinction to drafted men and bounty jumpers. Hon. Andrew Gregg Curtin issued at Washington, forbidding the payment of bounties to recruits until actually in the field, had the effect to cause their disbandment. This order is issued as a guard against bounty jumping, but the company felt aggrieved by it, as there was not a man in the company who could not give full security in any amount for the faithful performance of his duty.

NEW YORK EXTRAVAGANCE.—The enormous expenses of the New York City Government, and the grinding weight of taxation in that city therefrom, are proverbial. As an illustration of the way in which the public funds are squandered, the annexed paragraph, from a New York letter, showing how the "bummers" of the fire department are furnished luxurious club houses at the city's expense, is worth notice. The correspondent says:

"One of the fooleries of the day in this wonderful city is the construction, in ornate and costly style, of new engine houses, for Mose and Jake, at the city expense. The object of the aldermen who vote the appropriations, of course, is to secure the 'sweet voices' (that is, votes) of the boys who 'run with the machine.' Brown stone fronts, elegant carvings and mouldings, costly iron railings, stucco and rich paintings, rooms richly fitted up for dancing and feasting, kitchens furnished with ranges, stoves and appliances for cooking are among the 'modern improvements,' so called, of the new engine houses."

The Mobile *Advertiser*, of a date anterior to the peace negotiations, uses the following language:

We have not a doubt that the country including the slave proprietors, large and small, would compromise to-day for peace and independence on the basis of gradual emancipation of blacks. We may go further, and say that large numbers would be willing to give up all their cherished thoughts of independence, and exchange the institution for naked peace upon terms of reconstruction. This is a great change, a wonderful revolution of popular sentiment, resulting from four years tremendous conflict.

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Finance and Trade.

MONDAY, Feb. 13—P. M.

A decidedly better feeling is manifested in Oil stocks here, while the Philadelphia market continues dull and listless. The fact is our companies which have been formed within the past few months are on a much better basis than the earlier ones. There is less watering. Indeed, very few of those recently formed and now organizing can be complained of very much in this respect.

The day has gone by in which people can be induced to pay four or eight times the real par value, merely because a certificate has printed on it in big letters, "Shares $4 00," or "Shares $8 00." People now scrutinize closely and ascertain the actual par value, and who have the management, before investing. If satisfied on these points, and that the territory has been cately, fully selected and put in at a reasonable price, they are content to risk their money on the prospect of obtaining oil. The original projectors of a company, although still doubtless making in many instances a profit on the territory, yet their principal profit is dependent on the success of the company, enhancing the value of the shares, and hence the more probability of their managing the business to the mutual profit of all the stockholders.

—Ritchie, which has been under a cloud lately, in consequence of t of the well with water, revived at the close of the evening and sold at 3@4 per cent. advance, in consequence of a dispatch announcing that the well had resumed its former good conduct.

—The market opened brisk at the People's Stock Exchange this evening. Sales were principally made in small lots, but the number of shares sold foot up some sixteen thousand. Prices in many cases were at an advance over Saturday's quotations. The following are the sales:

200	shares Cherry Run Central	2 25
100	do Central Basin	1 01
150	do Cherry Run and Pit Hole	1 00
250	do do do	98
200	do do do	98
500	do do do	98
500	do do do	1 00
200	do do do	98
100	do do do	98
100	do do do	98
100	Ritchie	1 03
900	do	1 03
500	do do	1 03
200	do do	1 04
100	do do	1 05
250	do Rose	55
200	do Stella	60
100	do do	61
100	do do	62½
200	do do	61
500	do Tar, Sperry & Cherry Run	1 05
500	do do do	1 06
200	do do do	1 06
200	do do do	1 06
100	do do do	1 06
200	do do do	1 06½
200	do do do	1 07
200	do do do	1 06
100	do do do	1 06
200	do do do	1 06
100	do do do	1 06
100	do do do	1 06
87	do do do	1 06
80	do do do	1 06
200	do do do	1 06
500	do do do	1 05
500	do do do	1 06
500	do do do	1 06
100	do Western Pennsylvania	3 00
500	do Cherry Run & Bradford	1 00
500	do Cherry Run & Pittsburgh	1 05
1000	do Tarr, Sperry & Cherry Run	1 05

—The closing quotations on the calling of the list are as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
Allegheny Valley R. R.		12 00
Pitts & Steubenville Railroad Co.		8 50
Second National		120 00
Third National	118 00	140 00
Mingo Coal		15 25
Acme Oil		50 00
Baker	85	1 00
Blood Farm and Ohio		1 90
Culbertson's Run	1 60	1 80
Dalzell	8 00	9 00
Duck Creek	20 00	25 00
Dunkard Creek Union		1 50
Etna Oil and Mining	25	50
Eldorado	1 75	1 75
Fayette		65
Fleming and Gibbon	3 00	3 50
Fuller Rose Run	80	1 00
Hemlock		4 00
Horse Neck	90	94
Mercantile	49	54
McAboy Cherry Run	95	1 00
National, of Pittsburgh		80
National Refining and Storing		10 10
Ohio Valley	1 35	1 45
Oil Basin, of Phila	9 25	10 00
Oil Creek and Pittsburgh	4 50	5 00
Oil Creek and Cherry Run	5 00	5 25
Paxton	2 10	2 25
Philips	50	88
Pittsburgh and New York		1 25
Pittsburgh and West Va		3 00
Read Farm		1 00
Steel Well	60 00	70 00
Tack Petroleum, of New York	4 00	4 75
Union Lubric		1 00
West Virginia, Pittsburgh		2 25
West Virginia Basin		75
Whitley Creek	1 00	2 00

—The following is a statement of the approximate earnings of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway Company during the month of January ult. compared with the same period of last year:

	1865.	1864.	Increase.
Freights	$425 530 50	$161,360 00	$264,130 68
Passengers	233 506 63	107,560 75	125,9 0 88
Express Matter	7 80 0 00	4 600 00	3,200 00
Mails	7,8 5 00	7,8 0 00	
Rent of Railway	7,683 33	7,683 33	
Miscellaneous	2,594 11	2,201 88	504 18
Total	$684,239 68	$290,675 91	$393,583 72

Included in above items of Freight and Passenger earnings is $70,000 for Government transportation.

Boston Shoe and Leather Market.

Owing to the extreme caution of manufacturers, stocks are rather lean both of light and heavy work, though the demand just now runs largely in favor of the former, and the L. inside Haverhill makers are busily employed on the goods for ladies' and children's wear. Many factories have secured a good job of army work, some large contracts for brogans and country boots having just been awarded, and the Quartermaster's Department in New York; there are also in receipt of a fair amount of orders in the regular trade.

The leather market has gained a little in tone since our last report, with more inquiry on the part of manufacturers of army goods, though transactions among them have been very light. A quotable change in rates. It will take an advance, even with a fair consumptive demand to induce stocks low enough to give an advantage in the market. Oak leather of all descriptions is firm and in light stock, as well as Waxed, which is also upper in large supply and offering at the minimum rates. Curried leather is selling slowly. Splits are most sought after. Calf-skins are dull.

Hemlock sole is selling at a range of of 39@41c the outside figure for over weights. Oak do at 50@56c for sides, and 57@60 for ends. Calcutta Buffalo is quiet at 32@33. Rough upper selling at 36@40c for Hemlock, and 48@51c for Oak. Rough Calfskins are in moderate demand at $1 60@1 70, for light and heavy; curried do. at 45@1 55.—*Bulletin.*

Boston Fish Market.

The market for codfish is steady and firm, with a good demand for export, and stocks are reduced and in few hands. Sales of Grand Bank at $8 50@9 per qtl. Shore quiet. Pollock, $6@5 50 ₱ qtl. Hake was scarce and selling at $5 for loose and $5 50 for packed. Mackerel are very firm, with a good demand and limited sales of No. 1 Bay at $16@16 60, and Shore $22@23; No. 2 Bay, $13 50@14, and Shore $16; No. 3 large, $10@15 50, and medium $9@12 50 ₱ bbl. All the lines are scarce at $8@8 50 ₱ bbl. Pickled herring are selling at $7@11 50 ₱ bbl, the outside figure for Labrador. Several cargoes of Grand Bay herring in bulk have been sold for smoking at $8 ₱ bbl, cash. In salmon, small sales at $26@31 ₱ tierce, and 100 do on private terms.—*Bulletin.*

Toledo Lumber Market.

1st Clear, $50; 2d Clear, $45; 3d Clear or Box, $40; Stock Boards, $23; Common Boards, $23; Culled Boards, $16; Fencing, $23; Culled Fencing, $16; Flooring Siding, $35; 2d do, $31; Scantling and Timber, 18 feet and under, $23. A 1 18 inch Sawed Shingles, $7; No. 1 16-inch Sawed Shingles, $6; Clear and second Dressed Flooring, $46. Common dressed Flooring, $36; Common Dressed Siding, $22; Second and Clear Dressed Siding, $28; Dressed Stock Common, 12 inch, $26; Dressed Common Boards, $25; Dressed Oval Batts, $8; Lath, $4 25.

Philadelphia Pig Iron Market.

IRON—Pig Metal continues dull. Small sale of No. 1 anthracite at $53 ₱ ton, No. 2 at 48@50, and hard at $45 cash.

SCOTCH PIG—There is nothing doing, and prices are nominal.

BLOOMS—Are dull. No sales.

MANUFACTURED IRON—Is in limited demand, and prices are unchanged.

NAILS—Continues inactive.

New York Tallow Market.

A decline in Exchange has again checked the export demand of tallow, and the advance noted in our last is not sustained, prices of the first week of business yesterday being 1½@¾c ₱ lb below the current at our last writing. The sales of those current at our last writing. The sales of Wednesday were 70@80,000 lbs at 19¾c for city; 19½ to 19¾ for prime; on Thursday 125,000 lbs changed hands at 19¾c to 19¾c, the latter an extreme price for choice city; and yesterday, 200 lbs were taken at 19¾@19¾c cash.

PITTSBURGH GENERAL MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, Tuesday, February 14, 1865.

BUSINESS—We have nothing interesting to record in the trade; the demand was limited and so were the transactions. The "ground hog" so far has had matters his own way, the weather appearing to have submitted to his authority up to the present. Whether it will continue the full term of six weeks, time will only determine. We hope not. One thing is very perceptible, the present cold weather has pretty much closed up every avenue of trade. The receipts of produce have been unusually small, whilst the sales have been of a similar description. Prices have undergone no material alteration. In fact our daily record of transactions exhibit more of a retail than a wholesale market. Our ice bound steamers are still in port, and from present appearances will continue with us for some time. The present season has not been of much profit to steamboatmen. They have waited long and patiently for the river to open and are waiting still. When the river does open there will be a lively time, as large quantities of freight have accumulated. The railroads are overtaxed with through freights. They can perform but little to relieve the wants of the business community. We have a large number of boats that have their cargoes on board; they will leave as soon as the ice embargo is taken off. Among the sales we note the following:

APPLES—The market was firm with a good local demand, and the supply for some days to have been limited: sales of 40 bbls at $4@4 50 ₱ bbl.

HOMINY—The market was steady with a fair demand: sales of 6 bbls pearl at $12@12 50 ₱ bbl.

EGGS—Prices have advanced, and holders were firm, with sales at 40c. ₱ dozen.

GRAIN—The market was not very active. The receipts were limited and so were the transactions. A number of sales were made subject to the opening of navigation. Among them was 5,000 bushels of Corn at $1 40, an advance. Sales for present delivery were made on the track, at $1 35 ₱ bushel. Oats—we have no change to note or large sales to record; sales of 250 bushels, in store, at 86@90c. Rye—nothing doing and prices nominal. Wheat—prices were regular with an occasional sale of red at $2 10; and white, $2 15@2 20 ₱ bushel. Barley—the demand has fallen off, and $1 50 ₱ bushel appears to be the outside price.

BUTTER—The demand exceeds the supply. Among the sales were 6 bbls roll at 45c., and 3 bbls very choice at 50c.

FLOUR—We have nothing new to note in regard to this article. The market continues very much unsettled. We quote the following figures, Superfine—$9@21. Sidling, 25@ 6@22½. Clear, do., 25 ₱ C. Hams 24.

BACON—We have nothing new to note in regard to this article. The market continues very much unsettled. We quote the following figures, Smoulders—20@21. Sides, ribbed, 24½ 6@22½. Clear, do., 25 ₱ C. Hams 24.

BEANS—Quiet. Inquired for. We note small sales at $3@3 25 ₱ bushel.

New York Grocery Trade.

SUGAR—There has been quite a moderate business in Raw the past few days, and the market is depressed, prices of Refining and lower grades having receded one-quarter of a cent. The better qualities are scarce and in good demand relatively higher rates than the inferior grades. We notice the first arrivals of the season of new Cuba this week, viz., 200 hhds Porto Rico, per Lady of the Lake, from Guayanilla 6 in hhds 6, and a cargo of 462 hhds and 200 tierces of Cuba Muscovado, per Spring Bird, from Cuba. One or two small parcels new had arrived from Cuban Ports one or two days previous. Refined is inactive; we quote other than Stuarts', 27¼ cents for hard; 2 3-4@26½ for soft white, and 22@24½ ₱ for yellow. Stuarts' tariff of prices will be found elsewhere on our second page. The sales of raw are 1,680 hhds Cuba at 16½@16¾ cents; 300 do. Clarified do., 17 cents; 200 bags Java, 21½ cents; 250 do. Manilla, 7.30 boxes Havana, 17½@21¾, 4 mos.; and 10,610 bags Manilla, per Continent 17, cash.

COFFEE—The market has again been almost at a complete stand. Holders do not press sales, and buyers do not come forward, there is therefore little or nothing doing. Our revised retail quotations for Rio, calling prime 21 cents gold, stand half a cent below those of Tuesday last, on a basis of 211 for Gold Issue, and 214 cents, currency. The sales include 500 bags Rio at 18¾ cents, gold; 600 do. for export, on private terms; 70 Porto Rico, 43 cents; and 100 St. Domingo, 18¾ gold, in bond. By auction, 600 packets Java sold at 46½ cents cash.

TEA—To-day continued a pretty active demand—quite as much so as Green—since our last, but with a disposition to realize, prices of low grade Oolong and most descriptions of Green have taken off about 5c ₱ lb, the market closing with very little offering. The sales are 9,000 lbs half chests Green, from first hands, 95c do from second hands, 838 Uncolored Japan, from first hands, at 72c, closing from second hands.

MOLASSES—The expected receipts of new crop West India depress the market, and there is no increase of demand, even at the considerable reduction in prices noticed in our last. At the close, however, there was more steadiness, the sales are 50 hhds Porto Rico at 68@69c; 107 hhds, 27 tierces and 80 bbls new Cuba Muscovado, 66@69c; 55 hhds old do, 58c; 117 bbls old New Orleans, 58@61c; 21 new do, 61-63, and 240 bbls Sugar House on terms not made public.—*Shipping List.*

Philadelphia Grocery Trade.

COFFEE—An invoice of 653 bags St. Domingo is reported at auction. The market is lower for Rio in first hands, and there has been very little doing. Sales of 225 bags Rio at 18½c in gold, and 500 bags do at currency 20½. 211 bags Laguayra at 21½c in gold, and 43½c in currency.

The sale of Coffee this week, at the Subsistence Department, were as follows:

Jonah, 1,000 bags	54c.
Joseph Pearce, 400 bls Java	54c.
Thomson, Reynolds & Co., 2,000 bls Java	47.96.
P. Melville & Co., 2,000 bls Java	51c.
C. G. & C. O., 1,000 bls Java	52c.

MOLASSES—We have only to record a continuance of the inactive state of affairs noted for some days past. Sales of 150 hhds of new crop Muscovado on private terms, and 147 bbls new crop New Orleans, cloudy, by auction, at $1,55, cash.

SUGAR—The stock here in first hands is reduced to a small figure, and the market has been comparatively steady. Sales of 981 hhds and 1,000 bags Refined, soft and hard crushed, good grocery; and 187@213c. for fair to prime grocers; 25 hhds New Orleans, by auction, at 12½c. 1,000 bbls Refined, soft and hard crushed, at 12¾@13¾c. in gold, and 21@24½c. in currency; and 300 bbls Sugar House at 12¾c. in currency.—*Commercial List.*

Boston Pig Iron and Lead Market.

IRON—With an unsettled market, the transactions have been very light, both in foreign and domestic Pig, and no contracts ahead are being made to influence of the trade. We quote small sales of No. 1 Gartsherrie and other brands, at 48@49, and American No. 1 at 50@51 ₱ ton. Bar Iron is dull and unchanged; sales of common at $170@180 refined at 8½@8 90 ₱ ton. English Sheet is selling in lots from store at 9½@10, and Russia do at 20@30 ₱ lb, cash. Oats in moderate demand at 85@90c ₱ bush, for assorted sizes. Rolled Copper is inquired for and nominal at $41 ₱ ton, in gold, for English, and $120 for American, in currency.

LEAD—The market for Pig is dull and without movement. Foreign is held here at 6½c ₱ lb, in good, at which rate 100 tons have been sold in New York. Bar is nominal at 11@12c ₱ lb, in currency. Sheet Lead and Lead Pipe are selling at 21c; Old Lead at 12c, cash, and 13c in exchange for New.

New York Leather Market.

The market for Hemlock Sole is without change Prime Middle Weights are in active request and limited supply. We quote Rio Grande and Rosario Ox Hides as follows: Light Weights 37@39 cents; Middle do, 39@40c; Heavy do, 39@41c; California Light, 37@38c; Middle do, 39@39½c; Heavy do, 39@41c; Orinoco Light, 37@38c; Middle do, 39@39½c; Heavy do, 37½@38c; Slaughter Uppers Rough, 46@50c. Oak Sole is very dull and prices are nominal. Calfskins, French and American Calfskins continue firm at previous rates.

Boston Oil Market.

The market for Linseed oil is steady, with a moderate demand at $1 60 per gallon, cash. Lard oil has been quiet and a shade easier. We quote No. 1 at $2 12@2 18; extra $2 20@2 25 for Western, and $2 25 for Boston. Red oil is firm at $1 85@1 80 for sap refined and distilled. Fish oil is also selling at $55 for Pogie; Shore, $40; Menhk, $45; Straits, $47 per bbl. Sperm is firm at $2 30@2 40 for crude, and $2 45@2 50 for refined. Whale oil continues firm. Sales of crude at $1 05@1 06; refined, $1 70@1 75 ₱ gallon.—*Bulletin.*

Boston Copper Market.

All manufactures of this metal are dull, but nominally unchanged, and ingot continues to sympathize with gold. Small sales of sheathing at 45c, and at 65c for yellow metal. Bolts and Braziers' Copper are selling at 65, and yellow metal at 60c, 6 mos. Ingot Copper is held at 35c ₱ lb, with moderate sales in New York at 33@35c. Old Copper is selling at 40@42c, cash.—*Bulletin.*

Phildelphia Inspections.

Inspections of flour and meal during the week ending February 10, 1865:

Superfine Flour		Middlings, bbls	12
Extra	1,904	Shorts	2
Family Flour	1,104	Corn Meal, bbls	2
Rye Flour	39	Corn Meal, bbls	67
Fine, bbls	152	Packages	
Total			11,666

New York Hop Market.

Hops are steady, with a fair demand for home use, the inquiry running chiefly on the better grades. The receipts are light, and mostly of inferior quality. Sales of from 700 to 800 bales, including 200 for export, at 38@50c for ordinary to prime, and 60@65c for extra and fancy—the latter extremely scarce; and 150 do 1863's, 28@38c. cash.

Oil in London.

The total importation of petroleum into London from all parts was:

	Crude bbls.	Refined bbls.
1864	27 717	45,211
1863	31,000	61,000
1862	26,000	

New Bedford Oil Market.

NEW BEDFORD, Feb. 10.

The sales of sperm oil for the past two weeks amount to 2,000 bbls; 50 bbls at p. n.t., 120 do at $2 25, 620 do at $2 30, 400 do at $2 33, 7.0 do at $2 35, and yesterday a sale of 700 bbls (or export at p. n. t. Sales 07 bbls coast at p. n. t.—*Bulletin.*

PITTSBURGH OIL TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE DAILY COMMERCIAL, Tuesday, February 14, 1865.

Business in the oil way has, in a great measure suspended, for substantial reasons—there were no stocks in the hands of dealers to operate with, whilst the long suspension of navigation on the Allegheny have prevented supplies of the raw material from reaching the market; hence, there are thousands and tens of thousands of barrels waiting shipment, and a market without any prospect of being accommodated until we have a change of weather. From a careful examination the entire stock of crude and refined in this city and vicinity does not exceed seven thousand barrels, two-thirds of which being refined. Prices for all descriptions continue nominal, the figures of the day being no criterion of what may be looked for when the market contains a supply to operate with. The Eastern markets contain but a limited amount on hand. The market appears weak, while the demand for export abroad has not been as active as most holders would desire. The nominal prices in the market were, for Crude oil held by refiners, at tank, at 40c, packages included—equal to 55c for the raw material. Benzole appeared to be neglected; buyers were not disposed to take hold; the asking prices were bonded 20@25c, and free 40@45c, prices being regulated by the gravity; the stock in the market is not large; Residuum, in contrast with Benzole, was in fair demand, buyers were offering $8 00 ₱ barrel, whilst some dealers were asking an advance. Refined oil—The demand was limited, principally to meet the wants of the local trade; bonded at 63@64c, and free at 83@84c. The sales for sometime past have been limited:

BENZOLE—The market was firm, with an increased demand for export; sales of 400 bbls bonded, at 25c.

REFINED OIL—Among the sales were 100 bbls free, the terms were withheld; 100 bbls do 83c, and 50 bbls, at the same figures.

CRUDE OIL—We did not learn of a single transaction.

LUBRICATING OILS—Sales of 10 bbls No. 1 refined machine oil, at $1 65 ₱ gall; 15 bbls of lubricating at 80c.

Imports of Oil per Allegheny Valley R. R

GOING EAST.

J. C. Kirkpatrick & Co, 54 bbls tar, for Philadelphia.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

Imports per Pittsburgh F. W. & C. R. R. J. Wood & Son, 4 cars metal; Rea & K., 2 cars hay; W. H. Smith & Co., 94 boxes cheese; R. Dalzell, 102 boxes cheese; Little & T., 4 boxes do; McElroy & Co., 27 dozen brooms; R. Robinson, 26 dozen brooms; J. Kirkpatrick & Bro., 22 coils rope; Orr & Co., 200 sacks nails.

Per Cleveland and Pittsburgh R. R.—McDonald & A., 183 sacks wool; John Walder, 39 packages merchandise; S. & J., 30 sacks feed; Hussey, Wells & Co., 100 bbls oil; T. C. Jenkins, 163 sacks corn; J. N. Myers, 119 green hides, 16 dry do; R. Dalzell, 12 Kegs butter; Godfrey & Co., 10 bbls lard; J. W. Fahey, 1 car hay; G. Anderson, 25 hides; Tiernan & G., 25 bbls flour; Dorrington & Co, 238 bags seconds.

Imports per Allegheny Valley R. R.—Martin, Oliver & Burke, 2 cars iron; McClurkan & Co, 50 bags flaxseed; Johnston & Co, 1 car fire brick; Ker, 50 oush oats.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Finance and Trade.

Special Dispatch to Western Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.

The stock market was entirely devoid of speculative interest, and the outside public take no interest in the movements of railroad stocks, refusing alike to buy or sell. The disposition among brokers is to wait for some important military result, calculated to affect the price of gold. Cumberland Coal is the only stock in which there is any excitement. Gold bearing bonds continue in good demand. State bonds steady. Miscellaneous list without change. Gold market without excitement. The petroleum excitement has an important influence on the general stock market. Money brokers, on regular stock board, turned their attention to the better class of oil stocks. Among the public there is a growing disposition to buy up petroleum stocks at the present low prices, in hopes that the striking of oil may enable them to realize handsome profits. At the Petroleum Board there was less excitement, and very little dealing in leading stocks: Brooklyn sold at 5; Empire, 6; Excelsior, 11 5; Germania, 95; Knickerbocker, 1; Oceanic, 3 5-; Rynd Farm, 5; Sherman Island, 2 5-; Tack, 25 60; Maple Hollow Creek, 18; Tack, 3 75. Crude petroleum has been more active and prices advancing. Sales at 39@42c. The pumping of refined would have decreased at 65@66c for bonded and 80@87c for free.

New York Money and Stock Market.

NEW YORK, February 13.

Money quiet at 6 per cent. Sterling dull at 109¾@108¾. Gold without decided change, opening at 206, declining to 205¾, advancing to 206, and closing at 205¾. Government stocks firm.

WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.—Loans, decrease, $1,200,000; Specie, increase, $655,015; Circulation, decrease, $46,650; Deposits, increase, $4,007,850. Stocks better; Rock Island, 86¾; Cleveland & Pittsburgh, 71½; Illinois Central, 113½; Michigan Southern, 70¾; Reading, 112¾; Hudson, 138; Erie, 97¾; New York Central, 127¾; Northwestern, 37¾; Pacific Mail, 55; Mariposa, 12¾; Quicksilver, 56; 10 40s, registered, 97; 10 40s, coupons, 102¾; 5 20s, coupons, 1864, 104½; 5 20s, coupons, 1865, 103½.

EVENING BOARD.

The following are the transactions at Gallagher's Exchange: Gold, 207¾; 10-40 coupons, 103; New York Central, 127¾; Erie, 97¾; Hudson, 138; Reading, 112¾; Michigan Southern, 70¾; Illinois Central, 113¾; Cleveland & Pittsburgh, 71½; Pacific Mail, 55; Mariposa, 12¾; Quicksilver, 56; 10 40s, registered, 97; 10 40s, coupons, 102¾; 5 20s, coupons, 1865, 103½; 5 20s, coupons, 1864, 104½.

New York Gold Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.

The gold market continues very languid and speculation is rendered very difficult. There has been almost no export demand and very little is required for customs. The fluctuations have been, since opening, 206, from 205¾ to 207.

New York Petroleum Market.

NEW YORK, February 13.

Petroleum dull; 49@50c for crude; 67c for refined in bond, and 87c for refined free.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.

Cotton dull and prices almost entirely nominal at 80@82 for middling. Flour, State and Western, 1c better for common grades and quiet at $9 95@10 60 for extra State; $10 05@11 50 for extra round hoop Ohio. $11 35@11 50 for fancy brands, the market closing quiet. Whisky quiet at $2 28@2 29 for Western, closing firm at the latter rate. Provisions dull and firm in New York, as made up to-day, is a trifle under 10,000 bbls. Wheat firmer and very quiet. Rye dull. Barley quiet. Oats dull and nominal at $1 08@1 09. Oats dull and nominal at $1 10@1 11 for Western. Pork a shade easier at $37 25@37 50 for mess; $35 @35 62½ for prime mess; $30 25@30 50 for prime. Beef in good demand at $18 @19 for plain mess, and $21@22 for extra. Lard quiet, firmer and unchanged. Dressed hogs higher, at $6 75@7 for Western. Bacon quiet; part to arrive at 20 for Cumberland cut; 31¼@31½c for short clear sides, and 23½c for shoulders. Cut meats steady at 17@18½c. Lard without decided change, at 19@20¾c. Butter quiet at 32@ 47c for Ohio, and 44@48c for State. Cheese quiet at 16@22c.

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River Matters.

THE RIVER.—Navigation continues suspended. The steamer Ontario was making ready to depart last evening. This will be the first and only departure for some days; whether she will succeed in getting through remains to be seen, a number of boats being ice bound between this port and Cincinnati. The steamer Gaildon, Captain Batchelor, is loading for Cincinnati; she will depart just as soon as there is any prospect of getting through. The steamers Kenton, Yorktown, and Argonaut, are all ready. The Olive, Columbia, and W. H. Osborne, for St. Louis: Pilgrim and Armadilla are loading for Nashville.

Louisville.—Saturday's *Press* says the river was about at a stand yesterday, with seven feet eight inches water in the canal in the evening by the mark. During the previous twenty-four hours the depth of water had not varied an inch in the canal, which, however, has been obstructed by ice, and the current was flowing up stream. The weather was clear and very pleasant all day, the thermometer in the morning at 25, and running up to 45 at 1 p. m.

On the falls last evening there were five feet eight inches water in the pass, down the Indian chute, and the river about at a stand.

There was a great deal of floating ice in the river all day yesterday, at times extending from shore to shore, but it appeared to soften in the sun, and was apparently of but slight hindrance to the navigation of the river, as our list shows the arrivals and departures to have been rather numerous.

The canal, however, was very seriously obstructed by the ice, which floated into it in such masses that it had almost wholly blocked up the channel. The Glendale and Darling, well freighted for Memphis, came down from Cincinnati Thursday, and went into the canal, as they were drawn too much water to descend the falls. The Glendale lodged in the canal, about one hundred yards above the turn bridge, where she remained all night, and was still there last evening, being unable to force her way through the ice which had gorged in the canal at that point.

The Darling backed out of the canal during the night, and light-ned up sufficiently to descend the falls, and took final clearance in safety and expeditious'y yesterday morning.

Cairo, Feb. 10.—The river rose six inches, weather clear, with the thermometer at 40 degrees above zero this morning.

The Platte Valley arrived late last night, and is still here but leaves in a short time. She has loaded with all she wants.

The America leaves for Cincinnati to-night, with nearly a full load of sugar and molasses.

The Ohio had 380 tons for reshipment to New Orleans.

The War Eagle, John D. Perry and Marble City have all left trips.

The Pauline Carroll is nearly loaded, and adds all she can carry, as freight far below is very plentiful.

The John Kilgour, Anglo Saxon, Desmoines, Peerless, Reserve and Izetta arrived from Tennessee river, in Government service.